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In re Application of: Alexander G. Parlos  
Serial No.: 10/628,071  
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Title: **CONDITION ASSESSMENT AND LIFE  
EXPECTANCY PREDICTION FOR DEVICES**

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Under the Domestic Priority Data section after the line that reads "which is a CON of 09/419,683 10/14/1999", please add "which is a CON of 09/293,536 4/15/1999 ABN which claims priority of 60/081,848 4/15/1998." The Domestic Priority Data that Applicant is

requesting to be added was included in the Related Applications section of the Patent Application. It was also included on the Application Transmittal Letter. Copies of these pages are included for your verification.

**Also, for the Title of the Invention, please delete “Condition Assessement and Life Expectancy Prediction for Devices”. In place thereof, please insert “Condition Assessment and Life Expectancy Prediction for Devices”.**

A corrected filing receipt is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that this is not an error by the Applicant(s), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any amount required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2003.

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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a CON of 10/298,276 11/15/2002  
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which is a CON of 09/566,301 05/05/2000 ABN  
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CONDITION ASSESSMENT AND LIFE  
EXPECTANCY PREDICTION FOR DEVICES

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/298,276, filed November 15, 2002, pending, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/877,256, filed June 8, 2001, now abandoned, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/566,301, filed May 5, 2000, now abandoned, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/419,683, filed October 14, 1999, now abandoned, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/293,536, filed April 15, 1999, now abandoned, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/081,848, filed April 15, 1998.

TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates generally to the field of device maintenance and more specifically to condition assessment and life expectancy prediction for devices.



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Transmitted herewith for filing is the original patent application of:

Inventors: Alexander G. Parlos  
Date Filed: July 25, 2003  
For: **CONDITION ASSESSMENT AND LIFE EXPECTANCY  
PREDICTION FOR DEVICES**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.213(a), Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified patent application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in the above-identified application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

Enclosed are:

- (1) 33 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract;
- (2) 2 pages of Formal Drawings;
- (3) 2 pages of Declaration of Inventor;
- (4) 2 pages of Assignment;
- (5) 1 page of separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.28 and § 3.31 is included with an Assignment recordal fee of \$40.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.21(h);
- (6) 1 page of a Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) Form;
- (7) 1 page of an Information Disclosure Statement;
- (8) 1 page of a PTO-1449 Form with three (3) attached references;
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Total Claims	35	20	15	X \$9 =	135.00
Independent Claims	5	3	2	X \$42 =	84.00
TOTAL FILING FEE =					\$ 594.00

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